Title:	BCSOC3 Power, State and Social Movements (5 ECTS)
Module Content/Outline:	This module focuses on social movements, seeking to understand what social movements are, how they work and what effects they have. The course looks at a variety of social movements in Ireland and beyond and explores them using theory and practical reflection on the movements. We ask what distinguishes social movements from mere protest groups. We study how social movements work and what they achieve. We also look at why people get involved and stay involved in movements dedicated to social change. There is a strong practical element to the course, with visiting speakers from social movements in Ireland discussing their own movement activities.
Lecturer(s):	Dr David Landy
Learning Objectives:	 On successful completion of this module, you will be able to: Discuss key theoretical questions relating to social movements and a 'politics from below': framing, recruitment, mobilisation, institutionalisation, and identity in movements; Apply this theoretical understanding to the practices of social movements in Ireland and elsewhere;
Lectures & Tutorials/ Contact hours:	Two lectures and one tutorial per week
Workload:	Lectures: 22 hrs; Tutorials: 11 hrs; Exams/assignments: 32 hrs; Self-study: 60 hrs. Total: 125 hours.
Recommended Texts/ Key Reading:	 Goldberg, T. (2002) The Racial State, Blackwell. Alinsky, S. (1971) Rules for Radicals New York: Vintage Books. Crossley, N. (2002) Making Sense of Social Movements. Buckingham: Open University Press. Snow, D. Soule, S. and Kriesi, H. (eds) (2007) The Blackwell Companion to Social Movements. Oxford: Blackwell. Connolly, L. and Hourigan, N. (eds) (2007) Social Movements and Ireland. Manchester: Manchester University Press.
Assessment	Coursework (100%) Attendance at tutorials is compulsory. Failure to attend at least half of the tutorials will automatically result in a 10% (one full grade) deduction from the overall module grade.
Penalties for late submission	Without an authorised extension, the mark given will be lowered by one grade
Examination	See assessment